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## NEWSPAPER BUYS BUILDING SITE

Commercial Appeal Plans to Erect New Home on Court Avenue.

The purchase of a site for a new home for the Memphis Commercial Appeal at the southwest corner of Court avenue and Third street, 14 1/2 feet square, from the Leo estate, was reported Thursday. The property is just east from, and in the same block with the Commercial Appeal building, with only the alley intervening, giving the Commercial Appeal company possession of the entire Court avenue frontage from Second to Third street. The purchase price was reported to have been \$200,000.

No definite building plans have yet been agreed upon. It is said, but it is reported that plans are contemplated whereby the federal reserve bank will move into the building now occupied by the Commercial Appeal, and that a large new building especially designed for the newspaper business will be erected on the new location.

Other plans said to be under consideration provide for an extension of the present building, the rear by bridging the alley, and locating a part of the plant in the new building, but maintaining the office and business departments at the present location.

Negotiations for the purchase of the newly acquired property have been pending for some time. The Commercial Appeal now occupies a four-story and basement building erected in 1906, but which is now much too small to properly accommodate the business, making an addition to the building or a new building of greater size in the near future imperative.

## Veteran Teacher Dead; Taught Peres Head School Board

Miss Annie Christine Ruedelhuber, veteran teacher of the Memphis schools, taught the president of the school board, Harding Peres, for nearly a century ago, Mr. Peres said Thursday. He stated appropriate resolutions will be presented at an early meeting of the board.

The death at 7:45 o'clock Wednesday night of Miss Ruedelhuber, removed from the city a teacher who for more than 50 years has instructed the youth of Memphis and many of the prominent men and women of the city in their early training under her direction.

Almost from the time public schools were opened in Memphis Miss Christine, as she was known, served continuously, the last 36 years of which time being spent as superintendent of the Market street school.

Miss Ruedelhuber was born in New Orleans Aug. 15, 1845, and came to this city in her young womanhood. She was survived by a sister, Mrs. A. L. Rowe, 149 Poplar avenue, with whom she lived and where she died, and a niece, Miss Annie C. Rowe.

Funeral services for Miss Ruedelhuber will not be arranged until the arrival of Miss Rowe, who is en route here from Oklahoma. The body will lie in state in the First Presbyterian church, of which the deceased was a devout member, prior to the funeral services. Hundreds of former students of the dead teacher probably will view the body before interment.

## Floyd King Closes "Love Kiss" Show

Floyd King, formerly a reporter on The News Scimitar, has closed his opera company, "The Love Kiss," and with several of the artists is on the way home to begin rehearsals for the opening of Sanger's Greater Shows, a circus of which he is part owner.

A big rise in the circus and theatrical world was a rapid one after he left the newspaper field several years ago. With Mr. King will be Miss Babe Green and several prominent artists in the arena world who will be in the opening week's show under the auspices of the nobles of the Mystic Shrine April 19 to 24.

## SCHOOL HEADS OUTLINE EXTENSIVE BUILDING PLAN IF BOND ISSUE SECURED

President Harding Peres, of the city school board, has plans for a new vocational high school to be erected and equipped at a cost of more than \$500,000; a new girls' high school, two additional junior high schools and a colored school, all to be advantageously located in his proposed bond issue of \$2,500,000 carries, according to a statement made by him Thursday morning.

All of this is problematical, predicated on the amount of the bond issue and the financial situation at that time, said Mr. Peres.

Wharton Jones, city school superintendent, has ideas quite similar with those of the president of the school board with regard to school facilities needed in Memphis in the event the \$2,500,000 bond issue proposed by the school board president materializes. The superintendent would favor the immediate relief of congested conditions in the city high schools, both white and colored.

Intending Jones said, "To relieve the situation in the high schools next fall will find them badly crowded."

The superintendent favors the building of a junior high school in the northeast and another in the southwest section of the city. This plan, he believes, will relieve the conditions for years to come.

The negro schools would be considerably benefited if the bond issue carried the superintendent said, as conditions of congestion similar to those obtaining in the white schools need to be relieved.

The vocational high school plan of the superintendent is to build a shop and greatly increase the equipment at the institution.

## COMMON SENSE CARE GUIDES TO PREVENT POISONING IN FOOD

There is no foundation for a rejection of canned goods in general or even ripe olives, because of the tragic effect of the contamination of a bottle of ripe olives which was eaten here, said to have been inoculated with the botulism germ, F. A. Mantel, city bacteriologist, stated Thursday morning.

The botulism events, which resulted here, however, should be taken by those who use canned goods as a warning to exercise due care and common sense, said Mr. Mantel.

In nearly every case of botulism, the evidence points to the fact that some physical toxin present will give off some of fensive odor, or else there will be some evidence of fermentation, perhaps both odor and fermentation. If either of these conditions or any suspicion of them is observed, the can or bottle of food should be at once thrown away, said the bacteriologist. "The only

sensible course is to not any food that does not seem absolutely wholesome into the garbage can."

Mr. Mantel called attention to the fact that the olives from the contaminated lot which he examined gave off a most nauseating odor, somewhat like the smell of lumber or cheese, which might easily be detected by any one with normal nasal organs. He now has in his office several olives from this lot which were found in the backyard of the Yunkannon home Wednesday, five days after the party which caused seven deaths. These olives give off that offensive odor which results from the toxins generated by the botulism bacteria.

This germ is not peculiar to ripe olives, said Mr. Mantel, but may be present in any foodstuff. The germ was first discovered in sausage. It succumbs to severe heat and boiling at a great degree, say around 240 Fahrenheit for 10 or 15 minutes, will insure its death.

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## How To Avoid Pneumonia Is Told In Bulletin

Timely advice as to precautions to be observed, avoiding pneumonia has been given by the Shelby County Tuberculosis Society, in a statement given to the press Thursday.

Pneumonia occurs in all climates, at all seasons, and affects all ages, the statement said. "It is more prevalent during the seasons of bad weather, winter and spring. Prolonged exposure, together with lower vitality, is a frequent cause. Anything that will lower the lower resistance predisposes to pneumonia. The material coughed and spit up by pneumonia patients contains the pneumonia germs. All such material should be destroyed by burning."

In a percentage of cases pneumonia is readily communicable from one person to another. Each case of pneumonia should be regarded as a point from which the disease may spread. The pneumonia patient should be isolated as far as possible.

All articles used by pneumonia patients, as shoes, handkerchiefs, bed linen, and clothing, should be changed by boiling before being used again. The room occupied by pneumonia patients should be carefully cleaned each day, care being taken to avoid the stirring of dust.

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## CINEMA OF CRIME REFLECTED UPON POLICE BLOTTER

Clothing and \$20 in cash were the loot of thieves who entered the servant's room behind the residence of Mrs. A. J. Danelson Wednesday. Two men in soldier uniform were the thieves, police report.

Tobacco and a knife to slice it with, were the loot that a small negro sneak thief got Thursday from the residence of G. C. Bishop, 724 Maxwell street, according to Police Sgt. Cleary.

Twelve bucks and a watch were stolen from Mrs. L. R. Graham's residence at 1401 S. Wellington street, Wednesday.

D. Boone—not the Daniel who discovered the Kentucky dewdrop—is loser today of seven white Plymouth Rock hens, and a rooster, who never will crow around just like he used to. The Pawl Panchers' association got em Wednesday night, Boone told police. Boone lives at 620 Keel avenue.

Mattie Buckley, 125 Poplar avenue, was visited by Detectives Durham and Taylor Wednesday. She described to the sleuths the owner pin (numbered by pearls, worth \$75) which had been stolen from her the day before.

**LIPTON CONFIDENT.** LONDON, Feb. 12.—Sir Thomas Lipton is bristling with confidence on the outcome of the race for America's cup, according to an interview published by the Mail. He said decisively: "I am going to win."

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You appreciate, as we do, the importance of handling these calls promptly. We are doing everything we can to improve the service, and aid the city authorities. Our success will follow from and be measured by your co-operation.

You can make instant improvement by clearing the way for these imperative calls. You can discourage useless calls, and eliminate unimportant calls, particularly during the busy hours, so that doctors, nurses and drug stores may not be hampered in their work by idle conversations.

So far there is nothing in the health situation to occasion fright. The city officials have properly taken precautions to prevent an epidemic and these wise safe-guards of the health department affect our forces just as they affect yours, but with the difference that where your business may be reduced ours is greatly increased.

We are thankful that so far our operating force is practically free from the flu. Every precaution is taken to protect our men and women, and suspects are promptly sent home for medical attention.

During this period it will be difficult to secure new operators and to train the recruits who have joined our forces, but our efforts shall not cease.

While the schools and theatres are closed, telephoning will prove a popular diversion. If it grows to any extent it will affect the general service and hamper the splendid work of the health authorities.

See that your children do not call their little friends for daily chatter. Insist that situation.

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